Dewan:—How much is the Municipality prepared to give?

Mr. P. R. Basavarajappa.—Rs. 5,000 from the Municipality and another Rs. 2,000 from public subscriptions.

Dewan.—If the work is started, Government will consider the question of making a grant to the Municipality on this account next year.

SUBJECT No. 176.

A separate road entirely for motor traffic in Channapatna town.

Messrs. P. R. Basavarajappa and V. Dasappa, Channapatna Municipality; P. Muthayya and Dasegowda, Channapatna Taluk.

Mr. P. R. Basavarajappa.—The running of motor cars in the midst of Channapatna town has been a source of danger to the public. It is not possible to regulate the speed of the motor cars, and the drivers do not take notice of the instructions given by the Municipal authorities. So, a separate road outside the town may be made for the motor car traffic.

Dewan.—It is intended to tax busses. This will be considered after motor bus traffic regulations which are under consideration of Government issue.

MYSORE DISTRICT.

(Nos. 177 to 181.)

SUBJECT No. 177.

Cancellation of the revision Survey Settlement of Nala tracts and introduction of a fresh settlement.

Messrs. B. Narasinga Rao, Seringapatam Taluk; S. Thimmiah Gowda, Krishnarajpete Taluk and Bale Siddalinga Setty, Yadatore Taluk.

This subject elicited quite a warm discussion at the hands of the members interested. Mr. B. Narasinga Rao in the course of his lengthy remarks strongly advocated the cancellation or the amendment of the revised rates of assessment introduced into the nala tracts of the Seringapatam Taluk during the recent survey settlement, as there was, in his opinion, no justification for the proposed enhancement of rates; firstly, because, the so-called increase in the value of the lands which formed one of the grounds for increasing the rates of assessment was due not to any rise in the intrinsic value of the lands but to a desire on the part of the indebted raiyat to dispose of the lands; secondly because, although the price of paddy has risen, of late, it could not possibly benefit owners of small extents of land in the tract in question as the prices of other foodstuffs had also risen and besides the cost of labour had increased enormously side by side with the cost of other things; thirdly, because, the re-settlement order was issued on the 27th June 1923 and it was brought into effect from the 1st July 1923 thus leaving hardly any interval for the people affected to put forward their objections in regard to the enhanced rates of assessment; and fourthly, because, Government ought not to bring the re-settlement into effect with such great hurry simply because they were losing revenue as the re-settlement was overdue for some years.

In supporting Mr. Narasinga Rao, Mr. H. Krishna Sastry quoted a precedent in which, on the representation of the people concerned, the re-settlement of Koppa and Tirthahalli Taluks was re-considered during the regime of Sir M. Visvesvaraya and urged for a re-consideration in the present case as well. He invited the Dewan to pay a personal visit to the spot and pass orders after making a through investigation into the affair.